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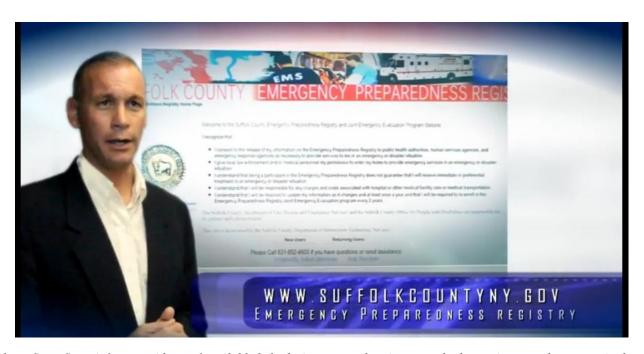
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PRESS RELEASE

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LEGISLATOR STERN ENCOURAGES RESIDENTS TO BE PREPARED FOR HURRICANES AND STORMS IN PSA

Those who may be in need of assistance in case of an evacuation are asked to enroll in the Emergency Preparedness Registry.



Legislator Steve Stern informs residents of available help during storms, hurricanes and other serious weather events in the above Public Service Announcement.

HUNTINGTON, NY – Suffolk County Legislator Steve Stern, (D-Huntington) 16th L.D., Chairman of the Veterans and Seniors Committee, urges residents, especially those with limited mobility, to plan ahead for hurricanes, storms and other serious weather events during National Preparedness Month, in a new **Public Service Announcement.**

Residents, who may need assistance in the case of an evacuation, should enroll in the <u>Suffolk County</u> <u>Emergency Preparedness Registry.</u> The Registry was established to collect information emergency first responders will need to help locate and evacuate people with Special Needs or high risks during an emergency, especially when a family, caregiver or others are unable to help them.

If you or a family member may have difficulty getting to safety during an emergency evacuation because of a physical or cognitive limitation, language barrier, or lack of transportation, enroll online in the Emergency Preparedness Registry at https://oemapps.suffolkcountyny.gov/spns/ or call the Department of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services at 631-852-4900.

"Planning on the run is never a good idea. I encourage all of our residents with special needs to enroll in the Emergency Preparedness Registry so that they may be quickly helped to safety in case of an emergency," Legislator Stern said. "Register today to be prepared for tomorrow."